

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2002-19

TO FORMALIZE THE MANDATE OF THE ARIZONA-MEXICO COMMISSION

WHEREAS, experience has proven that Arizona's economy is dramatically strengthened by business, social and cultural interaction with Mexico, and

WHEREAS, a strong bilateral relationship with Mexico and the successful implementation of strategies for regional development is important to and will enhance Arizona's global competitiveness, and

WHEREAS, as an office within the Executive Office of the Governor, the Arizona-Mexico Commission has a record of excellence in bilateral achievement and cooperation, beginning in 1959 with its creation as the Arizona-Mexico West Coast Trade Commission and evolving into its modern day public-private form, and

WHEREAS, the Arizona-Mexico Commission is the champion for Arizona's bilateral agenda with Mexico, an authority on Arizona/Mexico bilateral affairs and an advocate for Arizona's border communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Dee Hull, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby formalize the mandate of the Arizona-Mexico Commission, and delineate herein its mission and duties:

At the direction of the Governor, the Arizona-Mexico Commission (AMC) shall:

1. Help improve the economic well being and quality of life for the citizens of Arizona by promoting a strong, cooperative relationship with Mexico.
2. Assist with policy matters relating to the Arizona/ Mexico relationship and advocate for Arizona's interests at all levels of government, in both the U.S. and Mexico.
3. Facilitate business opportunities, with and/or within Mexico, for Arizona's private sector.
4. Encourage sustainable economic development and promote economic security for Arizona's border communities.
5. Assist with short and long-term strategic planning for Arizona's interests as they relate to Mexico and as they relate to international trade opportunities.
6. Provide leadership and innovation in bilateral affairs that improve the quality of health care, education and environment in the border region.
7. Encourage and support binational exchanges in the areas of education, arts/culture, athletics/recreation government/legislative and technical expertise.
8. Coordinate, facilitate or manage special projects and research opportunities as they relate to and enhance Arizona's global competitiveness relative to other US/Mexico states.
9. Implement and incubate strategies and programs that support these projects and opportunities.
10. Cooperate with state agencies and academic institutions on research projects in the U.S. and Mexico on issues that improve quality of life, trade and economic development in the State in a manner that will enhance the economic competitiveness of this State and the Arizona-Mexico Region.
11. Engage all of Mexico for the betterment of Arizona's economy and the quality of life of her citizens.
12. Provide statewide assistance to counties and municipalities, including border communities, to facilitate sustainable economic development.
13. Commission studies and research to assess past trends, contemporary needs and future direction of the Arizona-Mexico Region.
14. Make, sign and execute agreements, and accept and expend funds to achieve the AMC's purpose and programs.

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15. Integrate, as a 501-(c) (4) non-profit organization chaired by the Governor, representatives of government, business and academic sectors, as well as non-governmental organizations, into its bilateral and border initiatives.
16. Take any and all actions deemed appropriate or desirable to develop, promote or advance the interests of the State of Arizona as they relate, directly or indirectly, to the Arizona-Mexico Region.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

Jane Dee Hull
Governor

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this Eighteenth day of November in the Year Two Thousand Two and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-sixth.

ATTEST:

Betsey Bayless
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2002-20
DESIGNATION OF PHOENIX/GOODYEAR AIRPORT AS A MILITARY REUSE ZONE

WHEREAS, the U.S. Naval Air Facility, located in Goodyear, Arizona, was used for operational and training purposes of the active uniformed services of the United States Military; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Navy established in 1941 the air facility at the Goodyear location and employed several thousand active military and civilians as it utilized the facility during World War II and the Korean War for several purposes, including aircraft flight deck fabrication and aircraft modification, testing, delivery, preservation and activation; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Navy decommissioned the facility in the late 1950's and in 1965 transferred the 800-acre site to the United States General Services Administration; and

WHEREAS, the City of Phoenix, desiring another airport site to relieve the volume of general aviation aircraft using Sky Harbor Airport, acquired the property comprising the portion of the former U.S. Naval Air Facility, more particularly described in the attached Indenture (recorded in Docket 7166, page 66), executed May 21, 1968, from the United States Government through the General Services Administration; and

WHEREAS, Goodyear Aircraft, desiring to operate the facility for aerospace manufacturing and services, acquired the property comprising the portion of the former U.S. Naval Air Facility, more particularly described in the attached Quitclaim (Docket 537), April 18, 1950, from the United States Government through the United States Department of Defense; and

WHEREAS, Lockheed Martin Corporation, desiring to operate the facility for military defense contracting, focusing on defense intelligence software engineering, acquired the former Goodyear Aircraft property on April 23, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the City of Phoenix/Goodyear Airport has an 8,500 foot runway; and

WHEREAS, the aviation/aerospace industry is among the most important economic activities in the Arizona economy -- accounting for a significant portion of Arizona's exports and providing high quality, high salary employment opportunities -- and has been identified as a strategic industry cluster by the City of Goodyear and the Greater Phoenix Region, which places increased emphasis on economic development policies that enhance Arizona competitiveness in the aviation/aerospace sector; and

WHEREAS, this designation will strengthen the ability of the Phoenix/Goodyear Airport to create jobs and attract investment